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Application No. 10/510,230)	
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Filed October 13, 2004)	
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For: DEVICES FOR ALIGNING SHEETS)	
AND A METHOD FOR ALIGNING)	
SHEETS TRANSVERSAL TO THE)	
DIRECTION OF TRAVEL OF THE)	
SHEETS)	

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(c)(1) the materials set forth on the enclosed PTO/SB/08a forms are brought to the attention of the Examiner. Copies of the non-U.S. patent documents are enclosed. Copies of the U.S. patent documents are not enclosed.

Each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement.

An Office Action was issued by the Japanese Patent Office in a counterpart Japanese patent application on August 14, 2007. A copy of that Office Action is enclosed. Also enclosed is a copy of an English language translation of that Office Action.

JP 54-22537 does not appear to have an English language abstract or equivalent. It appears to show a rotary wheel with a plurality of surface openings. These openings are diametrically spaced on two raised areas of the wheel. This document is also discussed in the translated Office Action.

JP 51-34764 corresponds to U.S. patent No. 3,791,642.

Document 1 cited in the Japanese Office Action, JP 11-071044, is the equivalent of U.S. patent No. 6,505,931 which was cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed with the subject U.S. patent application.

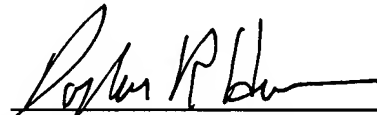
Document 2 cited in the Japanese Office Action, U.S. patent No. 2,167,823, was cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed with the subject U.S. patent application.

Entry of these materials into the file of the subject U.S. patent application, and their consideration by the Examiner, is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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